

April 18, 2016

PRESENT: Jim Waddell, Vice-Chairman
Rick Griffin, Selectman
Phil Bean, Selectman
Regina Barnes, Selectman
Frederick Welch, Town Manager
Jamie Sullivan, Assistant Town Manager

ABSENT: Rusty Bridle, Chairman

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

I. Public Comment Period (4:30)

Victor Demarco: notes of October 23, 2012 Mackensen & Co. advertised that took over the investments for the Town of Hampton, violation of investment regulations to do that, having to do with confidentiality; owner said sorry he did that. At another meeting in the notes, it said to gather all emails and correspondence regarding the violation. A month later were questioned and said there were no emails or correspondence. Wants to know if the fine was for the same advertisements the Town of Hampton were in.

II. Announcements and Community Calendar (8:35)

Selectman Barnes: Saturday at the Victoria Inn they are hosting a Shop and Sit for Mother's Day, fashion show raffles, and silent auction; the proceeds to benefit the Hampton Recreation Department.

Selectman Waddell: more children on streets riding bicycles and walking to school, please be careful when driving.

III. Consent Agenda (9:35)

1. 2016 Veteran Requalifications: Boucher, Joseph VET \$500 303/24; Cole, John VET \$500 235/11/2; Dunham, Patricia SPOUSE \$500 97/11; McNiff, John VET \$500 172/6/23; Mitchell, Janet SPOUSE \$500 255/18
2. 2016 New Veteran: Burrus, Shawn VET \$500 42/13/39; Murphy, George VET \$500 192/41
3. 2016 New Veteran Total Disability: McNiff, John TOTAL VET DISABLED \$1,400 172/6/23
4. 2016 Elderly Requalifications: Bortone, Sheilagh ELDERLY \$150,000 266/49; Dunham, Patricia ELDERLY \$150,000 97/11; Mitchell, Janet ELDERLY \$150,000 255/18
5. 2016 New Elderly: Bancewicz, Patricia ELDERLY \$178,000 295/51/2; Cooney, Mark ELDERLY \$120,000 124/28; Murphy, George & Theresa ELDERLY \$150,000 192/41;

Reilly, Joan ELDERLY \$178,000 107/21; Whiting, Marion ELDERLY \$178,000 115/44

6. 2016 New Disabled: Anderson, Thomas DISABLED \$125,000 127/49; McCarthy, David DISABLED \$125,000 110/3
7. Welfare Department Expenditure of the \$1,000 donation from Sprague Industries for Food Cards for the Hampton School District.
8. License for Coin Operated Amusement Devices: Hampton Beach Amusement Corp 211 Ocean Blvd
9. Raffle Permits: Sacred Heart School Charity Raffles; Friends of Lane Memorial Library
10. Request for use of Joe Billy Brown Parking Lot at Plaice Cove for overnight storage of machinery (24 hours) by Earth and Stone Contracting on 04/20 to 04/21.
11. Security Bond for Street Opening and Sidewalks Repair for 6 Highland Ave for \$10,500

Selectman Bean MOTIONED to MOVE the Consent Agenda SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

IV. Appointments (11:00)

1. Chief Sawyer, Deputy Hobbs, Police Department
 - a. Departmental Update

Chief Sawyer: Tim Hanlon promoted to Sergeant; Officer Goudreau became full time officer; one officer out due to duty related injury; 30 part timers on active roster; 4 new part time officer candidates attending the part time academy scheduled in May; 60 recruitment applicants passed written, agility, polygraph, background and psychological evaluation leaving 3 applicants to continue. Addiction continues to plague region; another unattended death this morning believed to be overdose; had a 5-hour standoff that ended with no injuries. Calls for service down 2%, arrests up 4.5%, DWI up 40% had 15 in first quarter last year and 21 this year, drug offences down 55%, incidents reported down 3%, offences down 21%, felonies up 38%, accidents down 11%, motor vehicles stops up 34%, parking tickets down 45%, parking income down 69%.

Selectman Barnes: glad to see drug offences down; great report.

Selectman Bean: great work, appreciate report.

Selectman Griffin: thank you very informative.

Selectman Waddell: DWI will probably increase with the summer.

Chief Sawyer: all indications are and hard to predict a lot is weather prediction, but we have the 7th or 8th largest concentration of licenses in NH, so you can have people who have too much and get behind the wheel, but people were out more and more visible traffic; we could have a very busy season.

Selectman Waddell: do you anticipate with you hosting hospitality night with the Bartenders and Restaurant Owners that it will help.

Chief Sawyer: it cannot hurt; I forewarn restaurant owners that we will be sending under aged people in to see if they sell to them, maybe they will be more vigilant. Will send Liquor Enforcement Bureau to an establishment if we see people staggering out, and if there is a

repeated course of conduct, this could lead to loss of license, which is costly due to the short season. Not expecting to get the same amount of support from the State Police this year as their detail has been cut in half; they are spread thin just like us.

Selectman Waddell: the new drug czar; is there a coordination between local and state.

Chief Sawyer: I have not met the new drug czar; Det. Jim DeLuca who is the SRO at WHS is part of a working group to advise what he is seeing at the schools.

Selectman Waddell: can you give us an update on the cameras.

Chief Sawyer: we are getting down to our final pieces of information to approach that project and we want to stay with the original vendor who designed the system to be integrated in the building, we are at final detail phase.

Selectman Waddell: the funds were encumbered in 2015.

Town Manager Welch: the funds were encumbered in December by the vote of the Board. The Board instructed the Department Heads and myself to remove a number of warrant articles that were proposed and fund the warrant articles with available money. The Board approved them in December and they were encumbered at that point; moving forward working with the vendor to put the components together so we have the right system, which is worn out, they are trying the best they can that the system is working at 100% efficiency and not replace things that do not need to be replaced.

Selectman Waddell: update on the Tasers. Chief Sawyer: they have been purchased; our part-time officers need to go through the full training before they can carry.

Selectman Waddell: have there been studies done that shows using a Taser prevents using a lethal weapon. Chief Sawyer: we look at as a tool and you want to pick the right tool for the right job; in certain situations, a baton might be more appropriate or the OC spray, it depends upon the circumstances; it has shown to reduce injuries to Officers and suspects.

Selectman Barnes: last Wednesday or Thursday a firearm that went off, did you find out the reason. Chief Sawyer: I cannot discuss that, it is referred to as a negligent discharge of a firearm, nothing intentional about it; more of a training issue; minor damage done to a cruiser.

2. Kristi Pulliam, Finance Director (29:30)

a. Monthly Financials

Ms. Pulliam: March Financials: estimated revenues of \$6,867,196 to \$6,976,509. End of first quarter target 25%; months total income \$695,963; motor vehicles \$273,475 over target; other major contributors were interest on taxes @ \$22,226; building permits @ \$19,049; misc. state grants and reimbursements @ \$152,003; departmental income @ \$27,223; land rent @ \$159,789; real estate trust @ \$34,183. Expense Summary shows year to date by department at the end of March the operating departments without debt service, but with open POs were 24.13% of budget, which is under target by .87% or \$209,406. Overall departments as a whole are running under the target. OT wages are @ 40.4%, which is related to the deliberative session and getting town report ready; voter registration @ 61.18%; finance OT wages 99.78%; repairs and maintenance @ 87.97%; supplies and expenses @ 53.06%. MIS new equipment up 47.45% related to new computers; supplies and expenses @ 61.91%; cemeteries heating fuel @ 82.23%; repairs and maintenance 52.87%. The Police Department is @ 20.41% overall with open POs; training and recruitment @ 70.56% the Fire Department @ 22.59% overall

with open POs; emergency management @ 82.84%; highways and streets @ 22.23% overall with open POs. Municipal Sanitation is below target @ 24.81%; transfer station is over target @ 29.91%; library appropriation line is @ 49.91%. Under the warrant articles, the health agencies almost all been paid; 2015 encumbrances 23% have been expended; recreation fund \$152,380 and have received \$3,710 from sale of beach stickers; cable committee fund balance is \$29,518; Fund 26 @ \$120,446; Fund 27 is \$500,507. The waste water system fees collected in 2016 total \$5,985 with balance in account of \$70,047.

Selectman Griffin: were you able to find out what is the consumer price increase for the Boston area. Ms. Pulliam: I will get that to you.

Selectman Waddell: on the increase in motor vehicles, that has been increasing for how many years. Ms. Pulliam: the last several years it has been increasing.

Selectman Waddell: has that historically gone up? Ms. Pulliam: since I have been reporting on it, it has gone up, since 2012 has gone up every year.

Selectman Waddell: building permits. Ms. Pulliam: that has been skyrocketing due to construction at Beach.

Selectman Waddell: Fire Department permits up 131%. Ms. Pulliam: yes, the fees went up and were adjusted last year.

Selectman Waddell: the Casino and concerts starting earlier we have parking lot revenue. Ms. Pulliam: yes.

3. Norm Silberdick, John Sovich, William Hartley, Stephen Falzone & John Troiano, Trustees of the Trust Fund (42:21)
 - a. Trust Funds First Quarter Results

Mr. Silberdick: had quarterly meeting this afternoon, and in the future all our meetings will be on TV and thereafter we will meet with you in our effort to improve the communication with the Board of Selectmen. This past quarter we had a reversal from the downturn that happened through the end of last year, due to more confidence in economy, oil prices starting to show upward tick, and interest remaining low or declining. We had a good quarter with the quarter ending March 31, 2016 we were up with an investment gain of \$800,000. For the last 12 months, it was \$200,000 as we had a lost last year; over last 5 years, we are up \$5,300,000. The common trust funds were up \$14,000 for the quarter, and the capital funds were up \$25,000; overall, we were pleased with the results of the quarter. The projection for revenue for 2016 is gross \$695,000 based on our investments right now and the calculation coming from National Advisors Trust Group. We had to rebalance certain elements of the portfolio as we were getting the upper limit in certain investments; we were pleased with the results. There was a subcommittee formed and they were to look at whether we wanted to consider putting out an RFP for the investment advisor to get some additional proposals in during this year, they came back and recommended to the Board of Trustees that we do go out for an RFP to see what the market is like. Over the next few months we will pick a handful of firms; will be some screening; establishing the criteria that will be included in our request for a proposal, and then we will begin the process of reviewing other investment advisors. We have do not need to have Mackensen & Co. come back in and propose because we know what they charge and what they do and are satisfied with their services, but would like to hear what else is out on the marketplace.

Selectman Barnes: the gains look great; as a former auditor, we always recommend getting RFPs to see what the market is.

Selectman Waddell: excellent report, excellent gains, thank you for doing the meetings on TV and coming in and talking with us.

V. Approval of Minutes (51:00)

1. April 04, 2016

Selectman Bean MOTIONED to APPROVE the Minutes of April 04, 2016 SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

VI. Town Manager's Report (51:09)

1. The Tax Collector's Office will be closed Wednesday April 20th so personnel can attend their Annual Spring Training.
2. Please note that all dog licenses expire on April 30, 2016. New licenses are available at the Office of the Town Clerk. Please come in and register your dog.
3. The Department of Public Works will begin the Town wide cleanup on Monday April 25th through April 28th. This pickup is for leaves and grass clippings only, and does not include branches, brush or wood.
4. Please remove your solid waste and recycling carts from the streets and sidewalks immediately following their pick up.
5. The decorative stone wall at Locke and Bradstreet Roads has been repaired following the receipt of the insurance payment for the damage.
6. The board is invited by the Rockingham County Commission to meet with them May 25, 2016 at 6:00pm at the Hilton Auditorium at the nursing home.
7. The Municipal Budget Committee is meeting April 19, 2016 at 7:00pm in this room.
8. We are sending two representatives to the meeting of the Senate Ways & Means for House Bill 1198 and would like permission to send letter.
9. I will be attending annual Youth Conference in San Diego from June 14-19, 2016.

Selectman Bean MOTIONED to APPROVE sending a letter to the Senate Ways & Means regarding House Bill 1198 SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Selectman Bean: it does not appear we are making much headway and think the delegation and committee needs more assistance concerning House Bill 1198; I find the whole concept completely illogical.

Selectman Waddell: we were up at the committee hearing last week; the Town Assessor has done a good job of collecting all the information and presenting in a very succinct manner; it is a shame more Towns were not there to testify.

VII. Old Business (57:40)

Selectman Griffin: what is the situation with the sewer pipe? Town Manager Welch: it is fixed; issued a report to the DES expressing to them the conditions; will get full report on May 9th meeting; any work that needs to be done will go to the annual town meeting; instructed DPW for emergency protocol.

Selectman Waddell: DPW has an emergency plan. Town Manager Welch: yes, the Beach will stay open and an emergency plan in place.

Selectman Bean: is the State of NH satisfied with our contingency plan. Town Manager Welch: we are constantly talking to them and they know we are working diligently to solve the problems and any future problems that may come up

Selectman Griffin: besides those 2 pipes, how many other go under the marsh. Town Manager Welch: only those 2

VIII. New Business (1:01:13)

1. Appointment of Assistant Town Manager Sullivan as Acting Town Manager June 14th through the 19th.

Selectman Griffin MOTIONED to Appoint Assistant Town Manager Sullivan as Acting Town Manager June 14th through the 19th SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

2. Vote to approve the reimbursement of the recording fees of the leases for the seawalls, revetments, and berms on Town land.

Town Manager Welch: this Board voted to hand back those funds that were taken for the leases, that has been done, they also paid recording fees and would like to return those and Town Counsel will be changing the recording of the documents at our expense.

Selectman Griffin MOTIONED to approve the reimbursement of the recording fees of the leases for the seawalls, revetments, and berms on Town land by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Selectman Griffin: I asked questions about the markings on the street on Ocean Boulevard, it was DOT and they are going to do something with the drains; there are easements being shifted around. Town Manager Welch: will make an inquiry to see if we can help

Selectman Bean: what is the deadline to get written material in for the intermodal? Town Manager Welch: it has already passed; the Board will not be voting on that until May 5 (9th), 2016 and if anyone wants to add something to the process, please do; my personal preference is that the people should let the Board know exactly how they feel on that. We have had comments at this point, which are all negative to the bus facility, and pro to reconfiguring Rt 1 and 101 to be safer.

IX. Closing Comments (1:04:35)

X. Adjournment

Selectman Bean MOTIONED to adjourn the public meeting at 8:00PM SECONDED by Selectman Waddell.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Vice Chairman